REQUEST FORM AND FORMALITIES PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT FOR FILING A PATENT APPLICATION UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

Attorney Docket No. P60448UŚ1

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This is a request for filing the attached [x] continuation or [] divisional or [] continuation-in-part application under 37 CFR 1.53(b) of prior application number 08/666,340, filed August 18, 1998, for HUMAN CIRCULATING CYTOKINE CC-1, by inventor(s):

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- Markus Meyer
- Hans-Jürgen Mägert

Enclosed is a copy of the prior application including the inventorship declaration as originally filed.

- 1. [x] This application is filed without filing fees under 37 CFR 1.53(f).
- 2. [] A Preliminary Amendment is enclosed.
- 3. [] Cancel claims * before calculating the filing fee.
- 4. [] The filing fee is calculated as follows on the basis of the claims existing in the prior application as amended by 1 and/or 2 above.

	Fee Calculation									
	Excess Claims									
	Nº of	Nº		Excess	Small Entity Fee			Large Entity Fee		
	Claims	A	llowe	ed	Claims	fee/cla	<u>im</u>	<u>total</u>	fee/claim	<u>total</u>
Total		Φ	20	=		⊗ \$9	=	\$0	⊗\$18 =	\$0
Ind.		Φ	3	=		⊗ \$42	=	\$0	⊗\$84 =	\$0
() Multiple Dependent Claims (1st Filing)					⊕ \$140) =		⊕ \$280 =		
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5.	[]	Payment Form PTO-2038 (credit card) for \$ * is attached.						
	[]	Charg	ge \$* to Deposit Account No. 06-1358.					
6.	[x]	Amen	Amend the specification by inserting at page 1, before the first line:					
			This is a continuation of application no. 08/666,340 filed August 18, 2003,					
		[]	which is a * of application no. */*, filed *					
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		[x]	which is a 371 of application no. PCT/EP94/04282, filed 12/22/94, and published in German					
			the disclosure of the foregoing being incorporated by reference herein.					
7.	[x]	Small	entity status:					
		[]	A small entity statement is enclosed.					
		[x]	A small entity statement was filed in the prior nonprovisional application and such status is still proper and desired.					
		[]	Is no longer claimed.					
8.	[x]		Priority under 35 USC 119 is claimed to application number DE 4344 397.4, and DE 44 27 395.9 filed in GERMANY.					
		[x]	Certified copies on file in prior application no. 08/666,340					
		[]	Certified copy filed herewith.					
9.	[x]	The p	rior application is assigned of record to Wolf-Georg FORSSMANN.					
10.	[x]	The Power of Attorney in the prior application is to at least one of the following:						
		William E. Player, 31,409; John Clarke Holman, 22,769; Harvey B. Jacobson, Jr., 20,851; D. Douglas Price, 24,514; Marvin R. Stern, 20,640; Michael R. Slobasky, 26,421; Jonathan L. Scherer, 29,851; Irwin M. Aisenberg, 19,007.						
		[x]	The power appears in the original papers of the prior application.					
		[]	Since the power does not appear in the original papers, a copy of the power in the prior application is enclosed.					

11.	[x]	Petition to extend the life of the above prior application to at least the date hereo
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(One box) [x] is being concurrently filed in that prior application.

NOTE: (must be) [] was previously filed in that application.

(X'd) [] is not necessary.

If a petition for extension of time is necessary and the petition and/or fee is not enclosed, the commissioner is petitioned to extend the time for response and authorized to charge any fees necessary under 37 CFR 1.17 (a)(1)-(5) to Deposit Account No. 06-1358.

- 12. [x] Formal drawings are enclosed.
- 13. [x] Enclosed is a copy of each Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) and Form PTO 1449 of record in each prior application relied on for an earlier filing date under 35 U.S.C. 120.
- 14. [x] Enclosed is a copy each Form PTO 892 of record in each prior application relied on for an earlier filing date under 35 U.S.C. 120.
- 15. [] Also enclosed: Sequence Listing

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